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THE CATTLE TRADE.

The cattle trade in Dodge City is quite brisk. Large sales are taking place daily. There are yet a large number of cattle on hand and for sale, and it is presumed that sales will be completed in a short time. The cattle are in excellent condition. Some sales are reported at a slight decrease per head, but we believe prices will generally be maintained. The demand continues good and buyers are proceeding cautiously.

We have made some inquiries and ascertained that there is no likelihood of the "Texas Cattle Drive" being cut off for some years yet. The range in Texas is being fenced up, and the number of cattle may be slightly diminished, but the cattle drive from that State will continue. The trail is not as free as formerly, a good portion of the land in the Panhandle having been fenced. When the cattle drive is no longer made to this city, it will be on account of the fencing and settling of the country.

The following figures show the highest prices obtained for cattle:

Yearling heifers.....	\$14.50
Two-year olds.....	17.00
Dry cows.....	20.00
3's and beefs.....	23.00

Sometimes a stranger who comes in upon Dodge for the first time is struck with the peculiarity of the condition of things. The gambling table or the dance hall takes his fancy at once—the latter institution is his favorite resort. At home, perhaps, the stranger can't feast his eyes or gratify his passions, and he is a remarkably fine young man—a model and exemplary youth, a teacher in the Sunday School, perhaps, and a leader in high-toned society. Once in Dodge his weak moral nature is overcome, and straightway he is dazzled by the glare of the lights in the dance hall and enraptured by the charms and beauty of the frail females that hold court at the shrine of revelry, and soon the moral exemplar has been fully captivated—drunken with whisky and exhilarated with the enthusiasm of the orgies. The next day comes the remorse from the night's dissipation—money all gone, a headache to remind him of his frailty. To show his home folks that he withstood the temptation in Dodge—the red glare of the dance hall, the sickly smile of the courtesan, and the "tiger"—he writes an exaggerated account of the city's vices, thus attempting to show a moral courage he does not possess. We have some knowledge of particular cases of this sort—and when we see Dodge misrepresented, vilified and abused, we are tempted to expose these characters that revel in the city's pollution, and give their names to the public. Probably an expose would tend in future to put them on their good behavior when in Dodge, and also give them no excuse for venting an apparent spite for their own misconduct.

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Thunderbolt train will hereafter be Cupid's chosen agent. Its friendly and sympathetic speed has enabled two runaway lovers of Cincinnati to reach Denver just far enough in advance of stern parents to make them man and wife.

The Philadelphia Press predicts that with the "first fruits of the new crop, breadstuffs and provisions will fall in price, and every branch of industry receive a new impetus, while the era of prosperity, ushered in with the autumn of 1879, will be granted an indefinite extension."

The Dodge City (Kan.) Times says since the return of the three members of the Dodge City Mining Company from their visit to the company's properties at the head of the Platte, the stock has doubled in value. And so it should. They have some good mines. —Alma (Cole) Bulletin.

Great Bend licenses the sale of "soda water lemonade, and other drinks."

Business in Dodge City is splendid. This season is about the best within a few years past.

A carload of Chinamen went east on the emigrant train yesterday. Eastern States are receiving many Chinamen.

The frame of the Catholic church building has been erected and the completion of the edifice is a question of but a short time.

J. C. Jones, at West Las Animas, commenced four years ago with a herd of fifty goats, and now has 1,400 under his charge, from which he makes \$15,000 a year.

Gen. Potter, of Ft. Supply, is tearing down some of the buildings at Ft. Dodge, and taking the material to Ft. Supply, to be used in the construction of buildings at that post.

The House has passed a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to examine into and report upon the claims of Kansas and other States, for expenses incurred in repressing Indian hostilities.

Rev. Adams Peabody delivered two interesting discourses in the Presbyterian church on Sunday last. Large congregations were present at both meetings. The Doctor preaches in Dodge again on the third Sunday in July.

A subscriber recently told the Nickerson Argosy that he had received more benefit from one short item in the Argosy than the amount of a year's subscription. The item referred to was one telling how to get a skunk out of a cellar without damaging the contents of the cellar.

There is something going on in the Justices of the Peace and Police Courts. Two persons charged with obtaining money under false pretenses, were bound over to appear in the District Court. Another charged with assault with intent to kill, was also bound over. In the police court, numerous misdemeanors have been tried. The warm weather gives something for the courts to do.

The recent hurricane did very little damage to the growing crops. Wheat was not prostrated to any great extent. The harvesters are humming now all over Missouri and Kansas, and the yield will be even greater than was anticipated a month ago by the most sanguine producer. In many portions of these two states wheat will turn out from twenty-five to forty bushels to the acre, and it is all of the very best quality. Rye and oats are everywhere equally good, and both are now beyond all danger. Corn is now growing magnificently, and as the acreage is much larger than ever before planted in Missouri and Kansas, there is a promise that our farmers will be unusually full handed next fall. —K. C. Journal.

A curiosity is on exhibition at F. C. Zimmermann's store. It is a fish-hook cactus, and is nearly the size of a water bucket. Numerous prongs, five inches long, curled at the end like a fish hook, protrude from the body of the cactus. These prongs are as hard as bone, and the points as sharp as needles. Smaller points, sharp, straight, and stiff as bone, also ornament the cactus. The body is closely covered with these sharp prongs or needles. The cactus has a fine flower in season. This curiosity was sent by Geo. E. Jones, brother of Ben A. Jones, and was obtained in Old Mexico. The cactus grows much larger, some of them being two feet through. The Mexicans use the fish-hook like prongs for fishing. Charley Moore, who was murdered by the Indians, was dragged over a bed of these cactuses until his body was completely torn and facinated.

The Atchison Champion notes a fact connected with the late editorial excursion in this state, which appears curious: The A. T. & S. F. Co. controls more miles of railway than any other corporation in the State, and the excursionists traveled in a train and were drawn by a locomotive all built in the shops of that Company. Yet from the beginning of the journey at Lawrence until its end at Topeka, the excursionists did not pass over a half mile of the A. T. & S. F. track. From Lawrence to Leavenworth they passed over a branch of the Kansas Pacific; from Leavenworth to Wyandotte over the Missouri Pacific; from Wyandotte to Paola over the Fort Scott & Gulf; from Paola to Junction City over branches of the Missouri Pacific; and from Junction City to Topeka over the Kansas Pacific, a total distance of 337 miles, making a complete circle. We crossed the A. T. & S. F. Co.'s main line or branches six times in making this circle; six of the eight State institutions visited can be reached by the A. T. & S. F. Co.'s lines; and yet our party made the entire trip, as we have said, without passing over half a mile of the Atchison Co.'s track. The extent of the railway system of Kansas is strikingly illustrated by this fact.

Fatal Shooting.

Last Saturday Jim Myers was shot by Robinson, the tragedy having been enacted on the Tuttle trail and about nine miles beyond the Canadian. The parties were working for Nick Eaton, and were with the herd of 500 beefs which he has on the trail for Dodge City. Robinson was boss of the outfit, and it seems Myers had been inclined to mutiny. At nearly sundown, while the party were preparing for night, and Myers was saddling his night horse, Robinson told him to step out away from the horse and on his doing so shot him down, the ball entering his breast and lodging against and facuri g the spine. The boys placed the victim in the wagon and started there with him with what haste they could, but he died on the way at about 10 o'clock at night. His sufferings were terrible. He said nothing in regard to the shooting but said his brother would get Robinson. The boys arrived here with the body after noon Sunday, and it was prepared for the grave and buried in the evening. On receipt of the killing, Sheriff Fleming and Ed Merret went out for the perpetrator, but he had learned of the fatal effect of his shot and departed for other fields, which at present are not known. —Pan Handle, June 16th.

It is reported that there is more loco weed this year than ever known before in New Mexico, especially under the mesa in Mora and San Miguel counties, although Colfax county has its share. But great damage has been done cattle in Central New Mexico. A gentleman recently informed the editor of the New Mexico News and Press that he had been able to follow the round-up on the Canadian by the number of crazy cattle scattered along the trail. Hundreds of cattle are reported to have been located in the sand-hills of lower Ute creek, some of them so badly as not to admit of their recovery. —Trinidad News and Press.

The Republican's San Antonio, Texas, special says the Wool Grower's association which has been in session these two days past, adopted the following by unanimous vote:

Resolved, That we the wool growers of Texas in convention assembled, do solemnly pledge ourselves to one another and to the people of the United States not to support any man for office in the national legislature who does not emphatically and in good faith advocate the protection of wool growing interests against foreign importation.

James Watson Webb is 81, and smokes incessantly, and he has for sixty years, say tobacco advocates. Peter Cooper is 91, cry the anti-tobacco people, and uses neither tobacco nor liquor, and his diet is chiefly oatmeal. To offset which the opposition cite Thurlow Weed at 84 and his Santa Cruz rum drinking habit. This "example" business proves nothing except "exceptions."

Recent floods have been a disaster on the irrigation business in Colorado. The query is asked: Are the electric and other influences common to civilization causing climatic changes in the Rocky Mountain region?

PHILADELPHIA WOOL MARKET

W. C. Houston, Jr. & Co. make a report of the condition of the Philadelphia wool market, from which we make the following extracts:

Since our issue of May 30th, the condition of the wool market has not been entirely satisfactory. The various disturbing elements in the iron and other trades are having the effect of making woolen manufacturers very conservative, and they only make such purchases as are necessary to supply their immediate wants, consequently there is not the snap to trade which generally characterizes this period of the year, and the question presents itself whether large receipts will not develop some weakness.

No new wool worthy of mention has yet reached the market from the more Western States (excepting New Mexican,) but from samples sent us we judge the clip in excellent condition and well up in grade, and as Medium is how in such brisk demand, we can hold out special inducements for consigning. To our Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska shippers we desire to say, that we grade their wool according to its general condition and sell on its merits, as it approaches the light and bright wool from such States as Indiana and Missouri, we obtain a corresponding price, but when it is dark or brashy we are obliged to class with less desirable descriptions. In all cases we make merit the test and don't care "a fig" where it is grown.

Prices current for Colorado and Western Kansas wool:

COLORADO.	
Medium.....	26@28
Quarter blood.....	21@23
Common.....	19@20
Heavy fine.....	18@20
NEW MEXICAN.	
All improved.....	27@28
Part improved.....	26@27
Coarse, carpet.....	18@20
Fall wool, improved.....	21@22
" part improved.....	19@20
" unimproved.....	18@19
TERRITORY.	
Choice medium.....	27@28
Choice fine.....	26@27
Choice low.....	24@25
Average medium.....	24@25
Average fine.....	20@22
Average low.....	20@22

Jim-Jams from Tobacco.

A veteran user of the weed in this city was recently taken sick and confined to the house. A physician was summoned, and pronounced his complaint disease of the heart. He ordered the patient to be deprived entirely of tobacco, and said that he would be able in a few days to tell what the man's chances for recovery were. The tobacco was stopped, and then followed a season of derangement and visions less intense and terrifying than those belonging to the alcoholic frenzy, but annoying and remarkable to the patient. He saw black flies in myriads upon the walls of his room, ten thousands of fireflies, such as seen in June. These were followed by millions of little golden metallic-hued beetles. He sat beside a lovely stream of water that wasn't there, and gazed into its limpid depths. He saw crowns, queer garments covered with the heads of nails, all sorts of armour, and bric-a-brac enough to furnish every house in the State. During one whole day the atmosphere was so yellow that he could not see the neighboring residences, another day cloudy veils shut out from his view for brief intervals the objects about him. His experience, while it has satisfied him that tobacco affects the brain, has not destroyed his love for the weed, which he constantly desires, but is deterred from using because of his condition. The patient is out, and we are glad to say is doing well. —Pittsburg (Pa.) Leader.

Parties desiring the celebrated Joseph Schlett Milwaukee Beer can have the same by leaving orders at saloon on Main street. It can be purchased by the keg, barrel, or bottled; six dozen in barrel or two dozen in cases.

Also Soda Water in the following flavors: Lemon, Strawberry, Vanilla, Raspberry and Ginger Ale.

Orders are promptly attended to at
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